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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE AT FAO REGIONAL  
CONGERENCE IN TOKYO

REF: ROME 13369

1. PARA. 4 OF REFERENCE TELEGRAM REFLECTS INACCURATE AND  
INCOMPLETE REPORTING BY BOTH VIDAL-NAQUET AND PRESS.

2. IN DISCUSSION WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE DR. PHILLIPS MADE  
POINT WFC WAS ON AGENDA FOR INFORMATION AND REPRESENTATIVES  
OF SAME GOVERNMENTS WERE CURRENTLY MEETING IN PREP-COMM. III,  
SO REGIONAL CONFERENCE SHOULD NOT MAKE PRONOUNCEMENTS ON ISSUES.  
THIS POINT OF VIEW WAS ADOPTED BY REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN  
ITS REPORT.

3. IN GENERAL DEBATE, DR. PHILLIPS MADE POINTS THAT: (I)  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS COULD DO NO MORE THAN THEIR  
MEMBER GOVERNMENTS WOULD LET THEM DO; (II) THAT IF FAO  
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WERE DEEMED INADEQUATE TO CARRY OUT NEW TASKS, SAME GOVERNMENTS

WOULD PARTICIPATE IN ANY NEW STRUCTURES, SO TI DID NOT FOLLOW SUCH NEW STRUCTURES WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE; AND (III) THE COMPETENCE OF EXISTING BODIES SUCH AS FAO AND WFP SHOULD, THEREFORE, BE TAKEN FULLY INTO ACCOUNT WHEN CONSIDERING HOW MATTERS SUCH AS EARLY WARNING SYSTEM, WORLD FOOD SECURITY, INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION, HANDLING FOOD AID, AND DEVELOPING RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS SHOULD BE HANDLED. VIDAL-NAQUET MADE NO REFERENCE TO FAO'S AND WFP'S EXISTING AND DEVELOPING ACTIVITIES IN THESE AREAS, BUT EXPRESSED VIEW REGARDING FOLLOW-UP OF WFC QUOTE - THE ONLY WAY IT COULD BE DONE REALLY EFFECTIVELY IS THROUGH THE INTEGRATION OF ALL THE MAJOR FUNCTIONS INTO ONE COMPREHENSIVE STRUCTURE - END QUOTE.

4. THOSE PRESS CLIPPINGS SEEN BY DELEGATION IN TOKYO REFLECTED ONLY SPOTTY AND QUITE INACCURATE VIEW OF WFC DISCUSSION.

5. IN RELATION TO ABOVE POINTS SEE TOKYO 12509 TELEGRAM WHICH WAS COPIED TO ROME. INGERSOLL

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